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Food and Drug Administration

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Rockville, MD. 20857

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I OPPOSE THE DRAFT M.O.U. being proposed by the FDA. In particular, I OBJECT to the definition of "inordinate amount" which restricts the availability and the right to obtain medically necessary compounded medications by limiting the number of prescriptions that can be shipped across state lines from specialized compounding pharmacies.

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COMMENTS: As owner of a holistic gynecologic practice, my partner and I frequently see women who are extremely uncomfortable taking Premarin and Provera. I have prescribed compounded estradiol and micronized progesterone since 1990 with excellent results. Women who need hormone therapy for bone loss or heart protection often tolerate compounded regimens when they can not tolerate pharmaceuticals. These women need access to compounded prescriptions from reputable pharmacies in the United States. Limiting their number of shipped prescriptions limits my ability to prescribe what is best for the women I treat.

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